

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
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Title: Host Control of Printer Ready
Assignee: Lexmark International, Inc.

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Remarks

As stated above, the Applicants appreciate the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and request reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following remarks.

In the Advisory Action of 24 January 2006, the Examiner states that

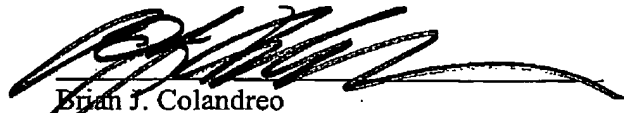
"determining the time (time A) requires (sic) for the mirror to coast from the operating speed to a full stop plus the time that it takes to accelerate from full stop to operating speed and setting a ready time within the time A" is not taught by the combination of Smith and Nagasaka. Such limitations is (sic) not being claimed and is different from "the predetermined time interval is less than the amount of time necessary for the mirror to slow from said operating speed to a stop and then return to said operating speed". It is inherent that (in Smith type of printer) there exist (sic) a time period for the mirror to slow from said operating speed to a stop and then return to said operating speed. Therefore, the claimed limitations are still meet (sic) by the prior art of record.

In response to this statement by the Examiner, Applicants have amended independent claims 5, 9 and 13 to further clarify the inventive subject matter being claimed.

Accordingly, in light of the above-referenced amendments, applicants respectfully assert that the subject application is in condition for allowance. The Examiner is invited to telephone applicants' attorney (603-668-6560) to facilitate prosecution of this application. Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 50-2121.

Respectfully submitted,

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Date


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